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Remembering Frank O'Bannon (1930-2003) Governor and Preservationist



Governor Frank O'Bannon (Photo courtesy of the O'Bannon family).

Indiana: Taking Pride in Our Diverse Cultural Heritage

Frank O'Bannon, Governor

As lifelong Hoosiers, my wife Judy and I take great pride in our Indiana roots. Corydon, our hometown, is rich with historic places that are visible reminders of the beginning of our state. However, years ago Indiana's first state capital was in decline. The community realized the importance of Corydon's history and built environment, and we rallied together with private business, nonprofit organizations, and local and state government to preserve our unique heritage. Today Corydon, historic and modern, is thriving culturally and economically. These places and buildings provide a sense of collective history and identity, and the community—indeed all of Indiana—takes pride in this town where our state was born.

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Since Governor Frank O'Bannon's untimely passing in September of 2003, his leadership, energy, optimism, and ability to build consensus amid different perspectives have been recognized and celebrated. His record of public service and commitment to issues such as education, healthcare, and the progress of Indiana's high-tech economy have also been widely praised. Governor O'Bannon was a man of vision and compassion, and his life exemplified his dedication to making his community, state, and nation a better place for future generations: a place of tolerance, hospitality, opportunity, and hope.

In many ways, Governor O'Bannon was able to look to the future because he never neglected the importance of the past. He issued an executive order requiring state agencies to remain or locate in historic buildings as an alternative to areas of sprawl that contribute to the decline of city centers. The order aimed for 60% of state agencies to occupy historic buildings; in 2003 it was nearly 90%! In 2001, Governor O'Bannon established the Indiana Heritage and Culture Council to advise the executive branch on matters pertaining to preservation, his-

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tory, art, and cultural heritage. Both Mr. and Mrs. O'Bannon have been dedicated and enthusiastic advocates of Indiana's initiative to document, interpret, and preserve our Underground Railroad heritage. The O'Bannon's interest for preservation has always been a very personal commitment, as well. In 1995, they purchased an 1866 Perry County barn and relocated it to Harrison County, outside Corydon. They connected it to an 1830s log cabin and spent nearly eight years restoring both structures as a home for themselves and their family. When their efforts were profiled in HGTV's "Barns Reborn" program in 2001, Mrs. O'Bannon commented, "It's a living, breathing piece of history. It's pretty inspiring to have the chance to be a part of that every day and add our fingerprints to this place." This profound understanding is one of the reasons the O'Bannon's have the respect of preservationists in Indiana and around the country.

In the Fall of 2002, the National Trust for Historic Preservation invited Governor O'Bannon to contribute an article to a feature series, "State Governors Promote Historic Preservation" in their publication, the *Forum Journal*. The DHPA is pleased to reprint excerpts of this article for our *Preserving Indiana* readers, which begins on page one. We hope that in Indiana's bustling cities, genial small towns, and peaceful rural areas, Hoosiers young and old, of every ethnicity, faith, background, and experience will also remember and celebrate Frank O'Bannon's commitment to our shared past as well as our shared future. Governor O'Bannon understood that historic places remind us of how far we have come together and that together we can continue to build the Indiana we are all proud to call home.

Historic Preservation Week 2004

Amy Walker, Survey and Registration Assistant

Now is the time to start planning an event for Historic Preservation Week, May 3-8, 2004! This year's theme is "New Frontiers in Preservation." The DHPA will compile and publicize a statewide calendar of events occurring May 1-9, 2004, so contact us about your community activities.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation initiated Historic Preservation Week in 1971 to highlight preservation around the country. Today, events include lectures, re-enactments, tours, and exhibits. In May 2003 Hoosiers had the opportunity to visit an archaeological stabilization project at Angel Mounds State Historic Site near Evansville, tour the 1926 Farmers Market in Fort Wayne, hear a lecture on Huntington's Hawley Heights neighborhood, enjoy a historic bike tour of Lafayette, and take tours of

the Central Canal in Indianapolis.

The DHPA is creating "**Travels in Time**," a series of travel itineraries for historic sites around the state which will be ready by Preservation Week. Arranged by themes such as: African American Heritage, Historic Theaters, Hoosiers & the Arts, and Indiana Government, the tours will highlight various historic resources. "Travels in Time" will be available on the web at **www.in.gov/dnr/historic**--so find a theme you're interested in and visit a site or two during Preservation Week!

For suggestions and tips to plan an event for Preservation Week, visit the National Trust's website at **www.nthp.org/preservationweek/planning.html**. To submit an event for the DHPA calendar or find out about "Travels in Time" contact the DHPA at 317-232-1646.



225th Anniversary of George Rogers Clark and the Fall of Fort Sackville

Paula Bongen, Indiana Historical Bureau

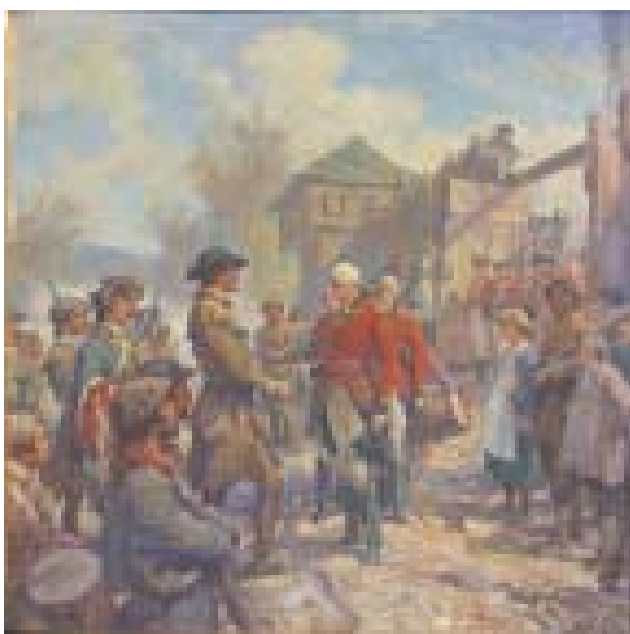
The Indiana Historical Bureau, as mandated by law, annually celebrates George Rogers Clark and the Fall of Fort Sackville, Vincennes, on February 25.

In 2004, this celebration has special significance, as it will be the 225th Anniversary of Clark's capture of the British-held Fort Sackville in Vincennes, Indiana. The Bureau has made a commitment to work with other state agencies and historical organizations to mark this important event in Indiana history. Not only will there be a celebration on February 25, 2004, but exhibits are being planned.

The goal of both the celebration and the exhibits are to inform the public about:

- the political climate of the times that led to George Rogers Clark's mission,
- the daring exploits of Clark and his men during the mission,
- the political results of Clark's mission,
- the many Indiana historical sites which relate to George Rogers Clark,
- sites related to Clark in Ohio, Kentucky, and Illinois,
- other planned activities related to this event and anniversary.

The Bureau is working closely with the Indiana State Library, George Rogers Clark National Historical Park, Vincennes State Historic Site, Falls of the Ohio State Park Interpretive Center, Clarksville Historical Society, Indiana Historical Society, Indiana State Museum, Historic Southern Indiana, and the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology, as well as other organizations in Kentucky, Illinois, and Ohio. Exhibits by these organizations will be located in the Great Hall of the Indiana State Library and Historical Building beginning with the official state celebration on February 25, and continuing through Spring 2004.



Paula is the History Education Specialist at the Indiana Historical Bureau. Contact the Indiana Historical Bureau at 317-232-2536 or check their website for updates at www.in.gov/history.

The Fall of Fort Sackville painted c. 1923 by native Indiana artist, Frederick C. Yohn (Image courtesy of Indiana Historical Bureau).

Historic Bridge Initiative

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The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is working with a task group comprised of federal and state agencies, county governments, and preservation organizations to develop a statewide, comprehensive historic bridge program for Indiana. Many in Indiana appreciate the value of historic bridges and their importance to Indiana's cultural heritage. Over the years, the survival of historic bridges in Indiana has dwindled causing great concern for the future of these resources. The purpose of the program is to complete a statewide survey to identify the remaining historic bridges, develop a system for prioritizing the preservation of the historic bridges identified in the survey, and provide incentives for bridge owners to preserve the best examples of historic bridges in Indiana.

The project is in its very early stages. Information is being gathered on Indiana bridges that will be used to evaluate their historic significance based on the National Register of Historic Places criteria. As data is collected, the FHWA will work closely with the task group to create the operating agreement for Indiana's historic bridge program. These two activities are likely to be completed over the next 18 months.

During the development process, it is critical for individuals and organizations to provide the FHWA and the task group with feedback. We want you to tell us what bridges you feel are important to your community, what makes these bridges significant, your thoughts on the operating agreement for the historic bridge

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National Register Listings

Amy Walker, Survey and Registration Assistant

This list includes all properties and archaeological sites listed in the National Register of Historic Places from June 2003 through December 2003. The National Register is the nation’s official list of historical and cultural properties that are worthy of preservation. The DHPA processes all National Register applications for Indiana properties. This list is arranged by county and includes the historic property name, location, period of significance, and areas of significance for which the property is eligible. For all sites in Indiana listed in the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.in.gov/dnr/historic.

Carroll County

“Camden Masonic Temple”
(1902-1952)
Camden
Architecture, Social History, Commerce

“Carroll County Courthouse”
(1888, 1916-1953)
Delphi
Architecture, Politics/Government, Art

“Carrollton Bridge”
(1927-1952)
Delphi vicinity
Transportation, Engineering

Clinton County

“Christian Ridge Historic District”
(c.1832-1952)
Frankfort
Architecture

Dearborn County

“Daniel S. Major House”
(1857-1860)
Lawrenceburg
Architecture

Dubois County

“Louis H. Sturm Hardware Store”
(1886-1952)
Jasper
Architecture, Commerce

Elkhart County

“Beardsley Avenue Historic District”
(1848-1941)
Elkhart
Architecture, Entertainment/Recreation

“Solomon Fowler Mansion”
(1868-c.1930)
Bristol
Architecture

“Nappanee Eastside Historic District”
(1880-1940)
Nappanee
Architecture, Community Planning/
Development

Hendricks County

“Leander Campbell House”
(1858-c.1885)
Danville
Architecture

Huntington County

“Hawley Heights Historic District”
(1914-1953)
Huntington
Architecture

Jackson County

“Southern Indiana Railroad
Freighthouse”
(1901-1952)
Seymour
Transportation

Jasper County

“Remington Water Tower and Town
Hall”
(1897-1953)
Remington
Engineering, Politics/Government

Jefferson County

“Lyman and Asenath Hoyt House”
(c.1805-1857)
Lancaster
Architecture, Social History, Ethnic
Heritage

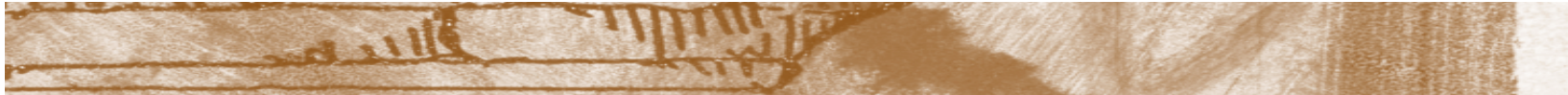
Lake County

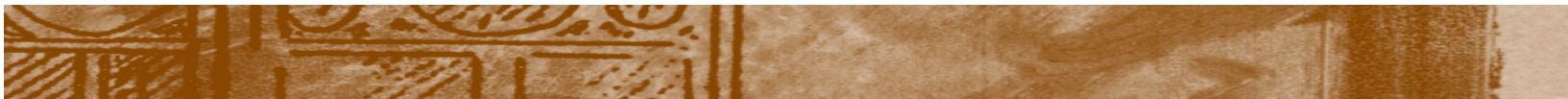
“Griffith E. J. and E. Interlocking
Tower”
(1924-1953)
Griffith
Transportation, Architecture

“Griffith Grand Trunk Depot”
(1911-1953)
Griffith
Transportation



The Southern Indiana Railroad Freighthouse, Jackson County. Located near the intersection of the Jeffersonville Railroad and the Ohio and Mississippi Line, the Freighthouse was originally sited next to a passenger depot (demolished). (Photo DHPA).





The L. H. Sturm Hardware Store, Dubois County. Stepping inside the Sturm Hardware Store is like stepping back in time. Like the exterior, the interior is virtually intact, having received only minor alterations over the years. (Photo DHPA).

Marion County
“Flanner House Homes”
(c.1910, 1950-1953)
Indianapolis
Ethnic Heritage, Social History, Community Planning/Development

“Nicholson-Rand House”
(1876)
Indianapolis
Architecture

“Old Southport High School”
(1930-1952)
Indianapolis
Architecture, Education

Miami County
“Westleigh Farms”
(1913-1952)
Peru vicinity
Architecture, Agriculture

Montgomery County
“Crawfordsville High School”
(1911-1952)
Crawfordsville
Education, Architecture

“T.C. Steele Boyhood Home”
(1852-1870)
Waveland
Art

Newton County
“Scott-Lucas House”
(1912)
Morocco
Architecture

Noble County
“Kendallville Downtown Historic District”
(c.1863-c.1940)
Kendallville
Architecture, Commerce

Orange County
“French Lick Springs Hotel”
(1901-1946)
French Lick
Architecture, Entertainment/Recreation, Health/Medicine, Landscape Architecture

Posey County
“James Elliott Farm”
(c.1830-c.1920)
New Harmony
Architecture

The Solomon Fowler Mansion, Elkhart County. An Italianate house constructed in 1868, future plans for the Solomon Fowler Mansion include restoring the cupola. (Photo DHPA).

“Mount Vernon Downtown Historic District”
(c.1850-1953)
Mount Vernon
Architecture, Commerce, Politics/Government

Pulaski County
“Pulaski County Bridge #31”
(1905-1953)
Medaryville vicinity
Transportation, Engineering

Putnam County
“Brick Chapel United Methodist Church and Cemetery”
(c.1840-1952)
Greencastle vicinity
Exploration/Settlement, Social History

Scott County
“Scottsburg Courthouse Square Historic District”
(1873-1952)
Scottsburg
Architecture, Commerce, Politics/Government

Tippecanoe County
“Big Four Depot”
(1902-1952)
Lafayette
Transportation, Architecture

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Vigo County
“Bethany Congregational Church”
(1908)
West Terre Haute
Architecture

Wayne County
“Doddridge Chapel and Cemetery”
(1818-1850, 1876-1952)
Centerville
Architecture, Exploration/Settlement,
Religion

“Old Richmond Historic District Bound-
ary Amendment”
(1819-1950)
Richmond
Architecture, Exploration/Settlement,
Social History, Ethnic Heritage, Trans-
portation

*The **Remington Water Tower**, Jasper
County. Constructed in 1897 by the Challenge
Wind Mill and Feed Mill Company, the
Remington Water Tower rises 104 feet and is the
only brick water tower with a wood tank in the
state (Photo DHPA).*



*The **Carrollton
Bridge**, near Delphi in
Carroll County, represents
a rapidly disappearing
resource type: historic
bridges (Photo DHPA).
For information on a new
Historic Bridge Initiative,
see page 3.*



NPS Designates Five New Indiana CLGs

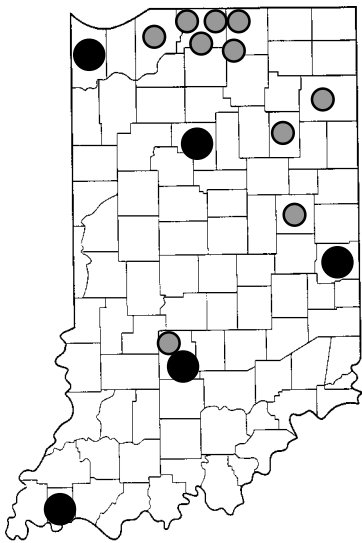
Steve Kennedy, Chief of Grants and Administration

The National Park Service designated four Hoosier communities and one county as Certified Local Governments (CLGs) in 2003. The new CLGs are Crown Point, Evansville, Logansport, Richmond, and Monroe County. After reviewing their applications, the DHPA forwarded its favorable recommendations for certification to the National Park Service, which confers this official designation.

A CLG is a city or county that meets federal criteria and is “certified” to carry out certain preservation duties at the local level. These duties include reviewing National Register applications, maintaining up-to-date local survey data, and designating local landmarks and districts. In addition, CLGs may comment on local federal undertakings in the Section 106 review process.

To become a CLG, a community must: adopt a preservation ordinance, establish a review commission, employ professional staff, adopt procedures to designate local landmarks, maintain survey data of local historic properties, participate in the review of National Register applications, and invite public participation in these local preservation programs.

Previously designated CLGs in Indiana include: Bloomington, Elkhart, Fort Wayne, Huntington, LaPorte, Mishawaka, Muncie, Nappanee, South Bend, and St. Joseph County. This brings Indiana’s total to fifteen CLG communities. There are currently 1,420 Certified Local Governments across the country.



*Indiana’s five newest Certified Local
Governments are indicated with black dots.
Previously designated CLGs are indicated with
gray dots.*



Historic Theater Conference Scheduled for March 2004

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Special Projects Coordinator

The DHPA's Historic Theater Initiative began at the 2002 Cornelius O'Brien Conference in Terre Haute, and since then our office has been overwhelmed by the response of Indiana communities towards this program. Theater owners, historians, film buffs, and other interested citizens have shown enthusiastic dedication to preserving their local movie palace, drive-in, or opera house. Requests for information have come from all over Indiana and even from other states – even as far away as upstate New York.

In December 2003, the DHPA hosted a Roundtable for theater owners from around the state to discuss their challenges and concerns about running a theater in a historic building. Over 70 people, representing 40 theaters, participated and discussed maintenance challenges, equipment upgrades, downtown parking, and the distribution costs of movies, among other issues. The result of the Roundtable will be a Historic Theater Conference hosted by the DHPA on March 12, 2004 in Indianapolis. The DHPA hopes that

by providing a forum for theater owners and communities to discuss challenges and strategies, the Roundtable and Conference will foster partnerships and assist efforts to preserve these resources as an economically viable and sustainable part of Indiana communities. The conference is free and open to the public, but registration is required. For more information about the Historic Theater Initiative, or to request a Conference registration packet, please contact the DHPA at 317-232-1646.

The Isis Theater in Kokomo was demolished in the 1980s. (Gene Gladson Photo Collection located at the DHPA).



The Artcraft Theatre in Franklin is still an important landmark near the courthouse square. Franklin Heritage, Inc.'s efforts to revitalize the theater were highlighted in an episode of "Communities Building Community" on WFYI Public Television (Photo DHPA).



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program, and the best way we can keep you involved in the process. As the project advances, information will be posted on the FHWA website (<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/indiv/hbpgmhpg.htm>) in order to keep interested parties informed of progress made by the task group and upcoming activities. The website will include a public involvement plan FHWA will implement for the project and updates to the operating agreement as it is developed.

The FHWA and the task group are eager to complete the survey work and establish the operating agreement and we need your help to ensure both efforts are successful. We look forward to hearing from you and invite you to become involved in the development of this program.

The Task Group Members Represent:

- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- Federal Highway Administration
- Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana
- Historic Spans Task Force
- Indiana Association of County Commissioners
- Indiana Association of County Highway Engineers and Supervisors
- Indiana Department of Transportation
- Indiana State Historic Preservation Office (DNR-DHPA)

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DHPA Presents Preservation and Archaeology Awards

Malia Savarino, Assistant Grants Manager

Historian and author David C. McCullough wrote: “History is who we are and why we are the way we are.” And so it is that we Hoosiers often turn to our past as a way to better understand the present and light the way to the future.

At the 35th Annual Cornelius O’Brien Conference on Historic Preservation, the DHPA recognized five outstanding historic preservation and archeology efforts in Indiana.

“Each year we look at this special niche in our storied and historic past,” said DNR Director John Goss. “These awards are an opportunity to say ‘thank you’ to those who have gone above and beyond the ordinary to preserve an important piece of our history.” The DHPA congratulates the 2003 Award Recipients!

Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department and Superintendent Allen Patterson received the Indiana Archaeology Award for the preservation and interpretation of archaeological sites on park properties. A number of Hamilton County parks are located in areas of rich archaeological potential and known sites are recorded on some properties. The Parks Department and Superintendent have taken measures not only to protect and interpret archaeological resources in the parks, but to acquire properties with sites and to conduct research and compliance archaeology to locate, evaluate, and recover information and to preserve the unique and irreplaceable resources. Some of the parks focus on these resources and have made them a positive aspect of park preservation and the recreational and educational experience.

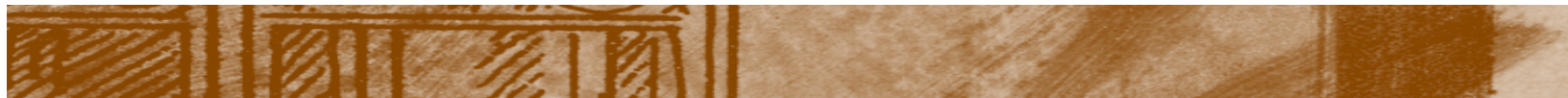
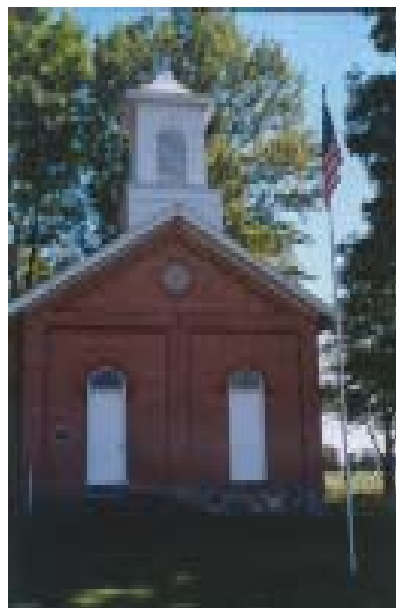
A school group visits an archaeology project at the Hamilton County Parks Strawtown site (right, photo courtesy of IPFW-Archaeological Survey).



Rick Jones presents Hamilton Co. Parks Department Superintendent Allen Patterson, Assistant Superintendent Chris Stice, and Amanda Smith with the Indiana Archaeology Award (above, photo DHPA).

Collins School Project received the award for Outstanding Community Preservation. The Collins school is a wonderful example of concerned citizens working together to save a local historic resource. The Steuben County school was closed in 1943 and stood vacant for 23 years before the Collins family and several former students initiated efforts to restore it. Although it is one of three one-room schoolhouses surviving in Jamestown township, the Collins school retains the most historic integrity inside and out. The school was listed in the National Register in 2002.

Morris Collins, Pauline Collins, Dorothy Miller and their family accept the Outstanding Community Award, (below, photo DHPA) The Collins School, Steuben County (right, photo DHPA).



Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church received the award for **Outstanding Restoration** for the restoration of the historic Marion County church after an April 2001 fire that severely damaged the interior. The Indianapolis parish was founded by German immigrants in 1875 and the church was dedicated in 1891. After the fire, the parish and the diocese spared no expense in returning the church to its former glory, and were recognized for their determination to restore the building as closely as possible to its original condition while making important fire and safety upgrades in the process.



Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church after the April 2001 fire (above, photo courtesy of Alan Goebes); and after painstaking restoration (below, photo courtesy of John J. Korom Photography, Wauwatosa, WI, copyright).

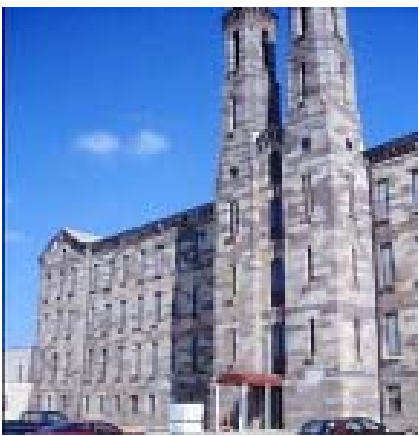


Joanne Kubesch and Westleigh Farms received the award for **Outstanding Rural Preservation for the rehabilitation of the Westleigh Barn**. Westleigh Farms is a representative example of a progressive farm from the first part of the twentieth century, and is located on the Frances Slocum Trail in Miami County. It is significant for both the innovation, ingenuity, and integrity of the historic resources as much for its association with composer and songwriter Cole Porter's family. The barn has been rehabilitated for continued farm use, with some alterations to accommodate modern equipment. At a time when many historic rural resources are abandoned or demolished, Westleigh Farms is dedicated to its almost 100-year continual history.



The Westleigh Barn in Miami County (above left, photo DHPA). Joanne and Sid Kubesch received the award from Jon Smith and David Duvall. (above right, photo DHPA).

Lincoln Hills Development Corporation received the award for **Outstanding Adaptive Reuse for the Indiana Cotton Mill in Cannelton**. Constructed in 1851, it is one of the most impressive pre-Civil war mill buildings in the Midwest, and is one of the largest cotton mills constructed west of the Allegheny Mountains. The site was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1975 and in 1991 the National Park Service declared it a National Historic Landmark, the highest level of national recognition. Preservation and restoration was deferred as the building's remote Perry County location and large size hampered reuse strategies. In 1991 the Lincoln Hills Development Corporation assembled a development team to rehabilitate the property as affordable housing; seventy units opened for residents in 2002.



The Indiana Cotton Mill in Cannelton (above, photo DHPA).

David Kroll, of Ratio Architects, and Larry Kleeman, of Lincoln Hills Development Corp., receive the award from Jon Smith and Steve Kennedy (below, photo DHPA).





News on DHPA Initiatives

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Special Projects Coordinator

Underground Railroad (UGRR)

In February 2004 the DHPA will celebrate the fifth anniversary of its commitment to Indiana's Underground Railroad history. The DHPA's UGRR Initiative began with an opportunity from the Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act and the National Park Service to explore, interpret, and preserve this underappreciated heritage. The DHPA helped organize interested individuals from throughout Indiana to establish Indiana Freedom Trails. This organization continues to be enthusiastic about finding sites, people, and events associated with the Underground Railroad. Since the inception of this program, the DHPA has partnered with the National Park Service, Indiana Freedom Trails, teachers, community members, and historians to document the people, places, and events associated with the Underground Railroad.



IFT Logo designed by Anitra L. Donahue.

Network to Freedom

The Network to Freedom, a program sponsored by the National Park Service, coordinates UGRR preservation and education efforts nationwide. The program helps validate the routes, sites, people, events, as well as educational programs or collections associated with this important period of our history. Inclusion in the Network to Freedom is an honor, which requires the applicants to document a site or person's involvement in the UGRR. The Network also includes educational programs and museum collections that demonstrate efforts to promote awareness and appreciation of the UGRR to the general public. The DHPA's Underground Railroad Initiative was listed in the program in June 2003. Congratulations to Historic Eleutherian College, Inc. for the recent listing in the Network of both the Chapel and School Building (shown above) and the Lyman Hoyt House (shown on page 12).



Eleutherian College in Jefferson County has been listed in the Network to Freedom (above. Photo DHPA).

UGRR Summit

The fourth annual Underground Railroad Summit will be held in South Bend in August (date to be determined). This year's Summit will be co-hosted by the Michigan Underground Railroad Association and the Northern Indiana Center for History. The Summit is an opportunity to learn about the historic resources in a local community and how Indiana relates to the Midwest, the United States, and the international Underground Railroad movement. The partnership with Michigan is an opportunity to explore the relationship that Indiana and Michigan had in the 1840s, when Michigan was a destination for African American fugitives as well as for bounty hunters tracking escaped slaves. Session topics will include the Underground Railroad heritage of northwest Indiana, lifestyles of the 1800s, the archaeology of Ramptown, and legal cases associated with the Underground Railroad in Indiana.

Juneteenth 2004

In addition to the Summit, the DHPA will once again sponsor public outreach materials for Juneteenth, which commemorates and celebrates the freedom of all Americans. While the DHPA will not host any events, we will compile and publicize information for events being held across the state. A poster of events will be available, a schedule of known events will be listed on the DHPA website, and our office will be working to encourage more Hoosiers to participate in the celebrations the week of June 19th. We welcome more events, so if your organization would like to sponsor an activity or program, please let us know so we can help you make it a success.



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For more information about these Initiatives, please contact the DHPA at 317-232-1646.



Indiana Cultural Resources Management Plan, 2004-2009

Steve Kennedy, Chief of Grants and Administration

Throughout the last year, the DHPA staff has been busy updating Indiana's Cultural Resources Management Plan. A five-year comprehensive state preservation plan was first adopted in 1998 and was due for reassessment. Each state is required by the National Park Service (NPS) to write a preservation plan and update it periodically.

Planning efforts began early last year with the formation of a 35-member advisory committee. This body consisted of a geographically diverse group of representatives from local governments, not-for-profit organizations, state agencies, universities, and the preservation and archaeology communities. This committee provided the initial direction for the plan revision.

The 1998 plan contained four broad goals that were broken down into narrower objectives and further defined by specific strategies. The advisory committee responded overwhelmingly to retain the four original goals and add a new one. This guidance showed that the ideas set forth in the 1998 plan were on target six years ago and are still important today and for the next five years.

In order to gather public input for the plan revision, the DHPA hosted eight public meetings around the state. Regional meetings were held in Elkhart, Evansville,



At the O'Brien Conference in Fort Wayne, the DHPA hosted a public input session on the preservation plan and attendees had the opportunity to contribute and prioritize goals, objectives, and strategies (Photo DHPA).

Fort Wayne, Madison, and at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. In addition, plan input sessions were held during the regular meetings of the Indiana Freedom Trails, the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana Affiliate Council, and the Ball State Graduate Preservation Program. The ideas recorded during these meetings were used to define the objectives and strategies that flesh out the five goals.

Indiana's Cultural Resources Management Plan is an important tool that will be used by the DHPA for the next five years. However, the plan is not just for the DHPA staff; it is intended to guide the efforts of all preservation and archaeology constituents throughout the state. The plan illustrates the federal-state-local partnership that exists in Indiana for the protection and preservation of our cultural resources. None of us can achieve all of our goals alone, but together we can continue preserving our past for the future.

The final NPS-approved plan will be available on the DHPA website and in printed format later this spring.

Indiana's Cultural Resource Management Plan Goals

- Increase public understanding of historic preservation and archaeology
- Reverse the decline of main streets and downtown commercial areas
- Strengthen protection efforts and programs for historic rural properties, landscapes, and multi-cultural resources
- Increase DHPA interaction with other entities that have similar missions
- Increase diversity in the preservation movement (new goal)





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Other Indiana cities and towns are also proud of their community heritage and identity and are working to preserve their historic neighborhoods and downtown centers. Plymouth, Madison, Farmland, Centerville, and many others around the state have embraced their unique history and are successfully revitalizing the places where they work, play and live. Their historic city buildings, community centers and parks, businesses, and homes have benefited from initiatives that promote structural and landscape preservation, including grant opportunities, tax credits, and the Indiana Main Street program, the largest of its kind in the country.

At this time in Indiana, we feel we have an extraordinary tool as a result of the calendar—an upcoming bicentennial. With this in mind, just a few years ago I created the Indiana 2016 Task Force, which is chaired by my wife, Judy. Some would say that the year 2016 is a long time off. In response to that, Judy, other task force members, and their partners

are expressing just the opposite—that our long-term vision, our hopes and dreams, for the state and our communities takes planning and work now. At the core of Indiana 2016's mission is recognizing and promoting the active involvement of Hoosiers in their communities.

Though Indiana 2016 initiatives throughout the state cover a wide range of subject matters and issues, historic preservation and our state's heritage are among its primary areas of focus. Indiana 2016 works alongside the Indiana Freedom Trails Initiative—a strong statewide network of people working to preserve and raise awareness of our Underground Railroad history—Indiana Main Street, the Indiana Historical Bureau, Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, and many other groups to build off our strong historic foundation. And, just as our ancestors did, Indiana 2016 encourages Hoosiers to use our “todays” to write the next chapters of Indiana's history.

Over the past six years, my administration has focused tremendous resources on education, and our endeavors to promote historic preservation have been a

part of this. Publications, workshops, programs, and other outreach activities conducted by our state's preservation and archaeology professionals are invaluable in our efforts to teach and inspire Hoosiers to develop an understanding and appreciation for our history. Through these opportunities, people throughout Indiana have become involved in preserving their historic places and heritage. The SHPO in Indiana [the DNR-DHPA] serves as one repository of information, a resource for guidance and technical assistance, and is also a primary sponsor of public education opportunities including Archaeology Month, Preservation Week, Juneteenth Celebrations, the Underground Railroad Annual Summit, and the Cornelius O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation.

Preservation does not come without its challenges, and like in Corydon, the state has formed partnerships around Indiana, with businesses, non-profit organizations, and other local, state and federal government agencies to resolve preservation problems and address related issues of cultural resource management, economic viability, and urban growth. These partnerships are beneficial because our partners also have effective programs in place for preservation planning, education, and action that reach a broad constituency throughout the state. These organizations and agencies help reach more people, increase participation, and expand the focus of events celebrating and preserving Indiana's heritage. Most important, sharing the opportunity and responsibility to preserve our cultural resources gives all Hoosiers a sense of ownership, stewardship, and pride in Indiana's historic places.

Recognizing the diversity of Indiana's people and history is integral to our state's goal for our preservation efforts. One of our priorities is to investigate and understand Indiana's earliest inhabitants. Through archaeological research and ex-

The Hoyt House in Lancaster was the home of Lyman Hoyt, a member of the Neil's Creek Anti-Slavery Society and an active conductor on the Underground Railroad. He was also a founder of Eleutherian College (now a National Historic Landmark), which was open to both men and women, white and black. Hoyt's activities in Southern Indiana have been documented as part of the Indiana Freedom Trails Initiative (Photo DHPA).



cavation, we are better able to examine and appreciate the prehistoric and historic cultures of the people who lived here hundreds and thousands of years ago.

In 2000 the Indiana General Assembly acknowledged the significance of cemeteries and Native American burial grounds by passing legislation to create the Indiana Registry of Cemeteries. The SHPO is responsible for recording survey information on these sites, as well as enforcing all state laws protecting cemeteries and archaeological resources.

Another of Indiana's priorities is to recognize and preserve the contributions of African Americans to Hoosier history. One initiative in which my wife Judy has been especially active is the Indiana Freedom Trails Initiative. In 2000, a research assistantship program provided federal funds through Indiana's SHPO to assist in the investigation and documentation of Underground Railroad-related sites, trails, events and participants in the movement throughout the state. We continue to work with a nonprofit organization dedicated to the interpretation and preservation of the Underground Railroad in Indiana, and with the help of the Indiana Historical Bureau, have begun to place Indiana Freedom Trails markers at sites significant to this chapter of our history.

Indeed, many people have traveled through the Hoosier state before and since 1816. This phenomenon has earned Indiana its state motto: The Crossroads of America, which is featured on our new state quarter. Historically, our communities developed along the rivers, canals, rail lines, and roads that crisscross Indiana. Recognizing this, our preservation boundaries have expanded beyond just buildings, neighborhoods of historic homes, and downtown commercial districts and we have embraced the preservation of the transportation routes that connect our cities and towns and people. Some of these identified preservation op-



This Jewish Orthodox Cemetery in Indianapolis has been documented for the Indiana Cemetery Registry, and is indicative of the diverse religious communities in the state capital (Photo DHPA).

portunities include the Wabash River Heritage Corridor, the Wabash and Erie Canal, the Lincoln Highway, and our two National Scenic Byways—the Ohio River Scenic Byway and the National Road-U.S. Highway 40.

As Indiana's bicentennial approaches, I believe we have tremendous opportunities to continue to strengthen our efforts to preserve our community and state history. To ensure that our heritage is representative of and accessible to all Hoosiers, I took the opportunity to establish the Indiana Heritage and Cultural Council in 2001. Among the council's primary responsibilities is to develop an inventory of the heritage and cultural services and resources offered through private organizations and local and state agencies, and to create a plan that will guarantee the availability of these services and resources to all Indiana citizens. This plan will help the state identify services and resources that should be developed as well as opportunities for organizations and agencies to collaborate more effectively.

While our inspiration to preserve Indiana's historic resources derived from our Hoosier pride, the economic viability and success of historic preservation, and its partner cultural tourism, is giving back to us more than just rehabilitated buildings and attractive urban and rural landscapes. It is reenergizing our citizens and our communities and given us opportunities to come together to celebrate our common heritage.

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National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum

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Indianapolis will host the Fourth National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) Forum on July 15-18. The Forum is being sponsored by the Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission and the DHPA. This event is held every second year and provides important continuing education to staff and members of local historic preservation commissions.

The four-day conference features training sessions on a variety of topics, mobile workshops and tours, and networking opportunities with local preservationists from across the country. Training sessions are tailored to address the needs of participants from communities of different sizes, from small rural towns to large metropolitan areas. Some sessions are specifically designed for commission chairs and new commission members.

The DHPA encourages all staff and members of Indiana's local historic preservation commissions to attend. This is probably the most valuable training opportunity available to commission members, and it's right in our own backyard!

To learn more about the Forum, visit the NAPC website at www.uga.edu/napc/. Funding for scholarships is being provided by the DHPA and Historic Landmarks Foundation through the Indiana Alliance of Historic District Commissions (IAHDC). For information about scholarships to attend the Forum, visit the IAHDC's website at <http://pages.prodigy.net/hlfinro/> or call Dana Groves at 574-232-4534.



Comes to Indiana!

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The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) will be setting up CAMP this summer in Indiana! The Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP) is a dynamic two-day training event designed to increase the effectiveness of local historic preservation commissions. The DHPA has partnered with the NAPC to bring this program to Indianapolis on June 17 and 18, 2004.

The CAMP model draws upon the best ideas and practices from preservation commissions around the country. Led by NAPC "camp counselors" and nationally respected experts on local preservation commission issues, campers can learn the ropes, improve their survival skills, practice working as a team, and have fun at the same time.

CAMP focuses on four fundamental training elements: 1) the legal framework for public preservation, 2) the commission's role, responsibilities, and procedures, 3) identification and protection of historic resources, and 4) public support and outreach. Even experienced commission veterans can benefit from hearing fresh ideas and new perspectives from the experts!

Who should go to CAMP? This training event is open to members and staff of historic preservation commissions, elected officials, and anyone dealing with local preservation issues.

Contact Steve Kennedy at the DHPA, 317-232-1646, for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The **Historic Theater Initiative Conference** is March 12, 2004. Contact the DHPA for information.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Freedom Trails** will be April 3, July 10, and October 9, 2004. Contact the DHPA for more information.

The **Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana's Annual Meeting** will be on April 24, 2004 in West Baden Springs. Contact HLF at 317-639-4534 for more information.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board** will be April 28, July 28, and October 21, 2004. Contact the DHPA for more information.

Preservation Week is May 3-8, 2004. The theme is "New Frontiers in Preservation." See the article on page 2 for more information.

The **National Alliance of Preservation Commissions "Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP)"** will be on June 17-18, 2004 in Indianapolis. For more information, contact the DHPA.

The **National Alliance of Preservation Commissions National Forum** will be held in Indianapolis on July 15-18, 2004. Contact the DHPA for more information.

The **Annual Underground Railroad Summit** will be held in August 2004 in South Bend. Contact the DHPA for more information.

Another Successful Archaeology Month

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Indiana Archaeology Month is dedicated to public education about Indiana's diversity of past cultures and heritage, and the science of archaeology. Last September, over 5,400 people participated in activities statewide. Youth outreach is a primary goal, and a number of events were geared specifically to children and their families.

At the Hamilton County Parks and Recreation properties where archaeological activity has been ongoing, over 1,700 students and adults came to see archaeology sites, learn about archaeology, and speak with the archaeologists. The efforts of the parks department and Superintendent Allen Patterson illustrate the value and rewards of public outreach concerning archaeology in Indiana and across the country.

Planning for the 9th Annual Archaeology Month September 2004 has already begun. If you would like to become involved, please contact the DHPA.



Learning to flintknap at Indiana University's Discovering Archaeology Day 2003 (Photo courtesy of Indiana University's Mathers Museum of World Cultures).

NCSHPO Receives NPS Director's Heritage Partnership Award

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The National Park Service Director's Heritage Partnership Award recognizes partners who work with the National Park Service to advance the highest standards of excellence in historic preservation and cultural resource management. Achievements at all levels – community, state, and national – are eligible for this annual recognition.

The first recipient of the award is the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO). Based in Washington, DC, NCSHPO is the professional association of State and Territorial officials who work with the National Park Service to preserve our national heritage. The NCSHPO acts as a communications vehicle among the State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPO) and represents the SHPOs with federal agencies and national preservation organizations. Through the National Conference, States also become an important and effective partner in shaping the national historic preservation program. The National Conference speaks with a voice that is both passionate and articulate in setting out the importance of America's special historic places and the care that these places need and deserve.

The award was accepted by National Conference President Ted Sanderson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for Rhode Island. Jon Smith, Indiana's Deputy SHPO and the Director of the DHPA, is currently a member of the NCSHPO Board of Directors.

ASLA Recognizes Indianapolis Park & Boulevard System

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In October 2003, the Indiana Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) presented a Merit Award to Storror Kinsella Associates, Smock Fansler Corporation, and the City of Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation in recognition of outstanding professional achievement. The award honored the National Register nomination and listing of the Indianapolis Park and Boulevard System, designed by George E. Kessler in 1909. Kessler's master plan for Indiana's capital was one of only eighteen plans that he created for other cities around the United States, and was the first park and boulevard system he designed for Indiana. Kessler subsequently designed park systems for South Bend, Fort Wayne, and Terre Haute. The nomination resulted in listing 164 contributing properties to the National Register of Historic Places, including ten parks, six parkways, and two boulevards. The nomination was funded in part by \$22,000 in matching funds awarded to the City of Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation from the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund which is administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources-Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology.



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